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THE WEATHER.  
Partly cloudy Thursday and Friday; slightly warmer Friday; light north winds becoming variable.

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## PLANS FOR NEW SHIPS ARE WELL UNDER WAY

Already Bids Have Been Invited for Construction of Five Torpedo Boat Destroyers.

THEY WILL BE OPENED ON MAY 28

Others to Follow Include One Collier, Two Battleships and Four Submarine Torpedo Craft—Government Further Has Discretion to Purchase Still Another Destroyer.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 14.—Already the navy department has well under way the plans for the increase of the navy by the ships provided for by the last appropriation bill. Proposals inviting bids for the construction of five torpedo destroyers have been issued, and the bids are to be opened on May 28. The remaining feature of increase in vessels provided for by the bill include one collier, two battleships and four submarines while the government may, at its discretion, purchase a destroyer with its vitals below the water line.

## BUTLER, SOLDIER AND STATESMAN, IS DEAD

Confederate Cavalry Commander Passed Away Within Fifty Yards of the Cradle of Secession.

(By Associated Press.)  
COLUMBIA, S. C., April 14.—General Matthew Calbraith Butler, of Edgerfield, one of the last of the Confederate cavalry generals, died tonight at 11:40 at a local infirmary. For some weeks General Butler had been ill and had been gradually growing weaker and for several days it had been known that the end was near. General Butler's death was due to a complication of diseases, induced by an old wound.

He lost a leg at Brandy Station and after recovery continued to serve throughout the war. His wound had not bothered him up to a few months ago.

General Butler was born in 1836 of a distinguished South Carolina family. He served with distinction throughout the Civil war, rising from captain to major general of cavalry in the Confederate service. After the war General Butler took a prominent part in the movement to reclaim the State to the Democratic party, and aided greatly in Hampton's victory in the gubernatorial race of 1876.

In 1876 General Butler was elected to the United States Senate and served three terms. During the Spanish-American war General Butler was a major-general in the United States army.

After the war General Butler was appointed a member of the Cuban Peace Commission. He is survived by his widow and three children, Captain M. C. Butler, Jr., U. S. A., Dr. F. W. P. Butler, of this city, and Mrs. McNeely, wife of a naval officer. On his 73rd birthday General Butler received supreme sanction from the Catholic church. He died within fifty yards of the convention hall in which the secession convention met.

General Butler was a nephew of Commodore Perry, of the United States navy.

## ROOSEVELT DECLINES INVITATION TO RECEPTION

Cables His Regrets to Citizens of African Port Where He Will Land.

MOBASA, BRITISH EAST AFRICA, April 14.—A cablegram received here from Theodore Roosevelt declining an invitation to attend a public reception and a dinner makes it evident that he has decided not to stop in Mombasa. Therefore, there is much disappointment here. Mr. Roosevelt asks in this message that he be met at the pier by his special train and conveyed direct to the ranch of Sir Alfred Pease, on the Athi river, where he will, he says, be the guest for the first fortnight's stay in the protectorate.

The steamer Admiral is expected here at daybreak of April 21.

At present the monsoon is blowing vigorously.

Outbreak of Smallpox.

There has been a sudden outbreak of smallpox at Nairobi. Forty deaths have occurred in the quarantine camp, and three cases are reported from Juja ranch, the property of George McMillan, who will be Mr. Roosevelt's host during a portion of his stay in this section.

Major Louis L. Seaman has returned here from a hunting trip up country.

try. He says the sport is excellent and game prospects good.

The local police authorities have taken measures to strengthen some of the out stations on the northern boundary of Kenya province, where the inhabitants of the wilderness country north have been showing signs of unrest. A number of continental business firms have forwarded various presents, including champagne, ammunition, books, etc., to Mr. Roosevelt here.

It is not believed Mr. Roosevelt will accept any of these offerings.

## GOTCH DOWNS BULGARIAN WRESTLER IN EASY STYLE

Foreigner Was as Child in American Champion's Arms—Match Fast and Furious.

(By Associated Press.)  
DEXTER PAVILION, CHICAGO, ILL., April 14.—Frank Gotch, of Humboldt, Ia., tonight retained the world's wrestling championship by defeating Yassif Mahmut, of Bulgaria, in two straight falls in a fast and furious match. The Bulgarian was as a child in the hands of the American.

Gotch won both falls with crotch and half-Nelson holds in eight minutes and in nine minutes, ten seconds. The victory of the champion is all the more notable inasmuch as he did not use his famous toe hold in bringing about the downfall of the powerful foreigner, whose shoulders had not hitherto been put to the mat in America. Gotch was able to get almost any hold he desired.

The match was fast and exciting from the time the men entered the ring. It was full of action, snap, dash and vim from start to finish. It was so short that there was not a single dull moment during the two falls. Over 10,000 persons witnessed the match.

Naval Stores Argument Closed.

(By Associated Press.)  
SAVANNAH, GA., April 14.—The argument on the demurrer in the case of the officers of the American Naval Stores Company, charged with maintaining a turpentine trust, was concluded today in the United States court.

Judge Sheppard took the case under advisement.

Miss Wilson Appears in Concert.

NEW YORK, April 14.—Under the patronage of Mrs. William H. Taft, Mrs. James S. Sherman, Mrs. Philander C. Knox and a number of well known New York women, Miss Flora Wilson, daughter of ———— Wilson, secretary of agriculture, appeared in concert at the Plaza hotel tonight for the first time since her return after four years of vocal study abroad. Miss Wilson has grand opera ambitions.

## WILL SEIZE DISTILLERY

Government Alleges Fraud in Operation of Carroll Springs Plant.

WILL CONFISCATE 8,000 BARRELS

One of the Largest Whiskey Distilling Companies in Maryland—Alleged Frauds Consist of Manipulation of New and Old Whiskey, Etc.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 14.—As a result of an investigation into charges of violation of the internal revenue law, John G. Capers, commissioner of internal revenue issued formal instructions today to Collector P. L. Goldsborough, at Baltimore, directing him to seize the Carroll Springs Distilling Company's plant, one of the largest registered grain distilleries in Maryland.

The seizure, which will involve the government taking possession of nearly 8,000 barrels of whiskey, is based upon a long examination which has been made under the personal direction of Commissioner Capers.

In several instances Commissioner Capers has personally looked into these matters wherever they involved the property right of tax payers, especially so large an amount as in this instance.

Official Details Withheld.

Commissioner Capers declined to give any of the details as to the charges of fraud but it is announced that they involve discoveries of new whiskey in old barrels, the substitution of new whiskey for older whiskey, and the removal of it without the payment of \$1.10 a gallon to the government, the substitution of gin for whiskey in some instances, and in some of the packages, excessive water, age and similar evidences of what it is claimed worked a direct fraud upon the United States.

Southern to Build Branch.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., April 14.—The Southern Railway Company has placed engineers in the field to make surveys for a new railroad from Jellico creek to the Cincinnati Southern Railway. This proposed line will, it is said, reach one of the richest virgin coal regions in this section.

## ATTEMPTED MURDER IS FOLLOWED BY SUICIDE

Prominent Broker, Rejected by Young Woman, Fires Four Shots Through Her Window.

THEN SHOTS HIMSELF IN MOUTH

Had Spent Evening With Woman He Tried Later to Slay—Pair Had Stormy Interview Before Parting—Suicide Left Note Stating He Would Kill Himself.

(By Associated Press.)

BOSTON, MASS., April 14.—Making an unsuccessful attempt on the life of Miss Josephine Alberts, Allan M. Fay, aged 28 years, a prominent broker of this city, shot himself through the mouth in an alley in the rear of the Hotel Navarre, Columbus avenue, early today and died while being hurried to the hospital.

Fay had spent the evening with Miss Alberts, at her home, leaving some time after midnight. He then went to the alley at the rear of the hotel and fired four shots, three going through the young woman's window but none reaching Miss Alberts. A policeman who heard the shots found Fay lying on his side in the alley, a bloody blow from a bullet wound in the roof of his mouth.

Had Refused Him.

Miss Alberts, who is 25 years old, has known Fay about four years and during that time she has repeatedly refused his proposals of marriage. It is said. Last evening, after a stormy interview, Fay left Miss Alberts, saying he would never see her again. Shortly after she retired she was startled by the firing. Fay was a member of the firm of Sewall & Fay, stock brokers. Mr. Sewall denied to-day that his dead partner was dependent or that his mind was unbalanced. This afternoon the young man's father, Jos. S. Fay, notified the police that a note had been found in the son's room stating that he intended to kill himself.

Miss Alberts, who is under the care of a physician, prostrated by the affair, said today that she was an Austrian and that her name was not Alberts, though she preferred to be called that because of the difficulty in pronouncing the Austrian name.

## KETCHEL AND JOHNSON MATCHED FOR FIGHT

To "Box" Twenty Rounds for World's Championship—All Articles Are Signed.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, April 14.—Jack Johnson and Stanley Ketchel were matched today to box twenty rounds for the heavyweight championship of the world at the Colma Athletic Club on October 12, 1909.

The fighters are to receive 50 per cent of the gross receipts, to be divided 65 per cent to the winner and 35 per cent to the loser. Both Ketchel and Johnson signed the articles. It was provided that each party to the agreement deposit \$5,000 to be paid to the winner of the contest, and that this sum is to go as a forfeit for the compliance by both men with the articles of the agreement. The \$10,000 is to be put up immediately and transferred to W. W. Haughton, of San Francisco. The referee is to be announced not later than fifteen days before the contest.

Moving Pictures to Be Taken.

Moving pictures of the fight will be taken, and the proceeds divided by a private agreement. The articles are signed by Willis Britt, Johnson, Ketchel, and James Coffroth for the Colma club.

Ketchel was anxious to fight 45 rounds, but Johnson demurred, saying that 20 rounds would suffice to show which was the better man. Coffroth argued for nearly four hours, but the champion finally had his way.

Ketchel said he would enter the ring at 180 pounds.

Suicide of Octogenarian.

(By Associated Press.)  
STAUNTON, VA., April 14.—Tired of life because of ill health, although he had plenty of the world's goods, being one of the largest real estate owners in the city, Harmon Lashbaugh, who had reached the ripe old age of 86, ended it all today by shooting himself in the mouth with a .38-calibre pistol.

He is survived by a large family.

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## SUMMARY OF DAY'S HAPPENINGS AT CAPITAL

Democrats United on Income Tax—Distillery Seized—Taft Leaves for an Eastern Trip.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 14.—The most important happenings in the national capital today were the following:

Democrats in the United States Senate will present a solid front against any Republican opposition to an income tax for raising revenue. This policy was agreed upon at a conference which also went on record as favoring a general reduction on tariff schedules, particularly those relating to the necessities of life.

Taft Leaves for New York.

President Taft left shortly after noon for New York and New Haven, the principal object of this, his second trip away from the White House, being to attend a meeting of the Yale corporation, of which he is a fellow.

Distillery Seized.

Seizure of the Carroll Springs Distillery in Maryland for alleged violations of the internal revenue laws, was ordered by Commissioner Capers as the result of an investigation into charges of fraud.

The heads of the departments of justice, of the interior and of commerce and labor, together with the men in charge of the various bureaus under them held an important conference in conference with President Taft's plan to effect a closer relationship among the departments, particularly with respect to cases involving alleged violations of the anti-trust law.

"Woodbury Point" is to be the "Oyster Bay" of the new administration. Official announcement was made that President Taft had leased a cottage in the vicinity of Beverly, Mass., for his summer home.

## COMPARATIVE QUIET REIGNS IN TURKISH CAPITAL

Tension Has Been Greatly Relieved by Broad Concessions on Part of Government.

(By Associated Press.)

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 14.—After the stirring events of yesterday and the early part of today in the Turkish capital, the successful formation of the cabinet and the issue of an imperial proclamation ordaining the observance of the Sheri laws, and the preservation of the constitution, served to bring about a comparatively peaceful situation here tonight. The members of the new cabinet, of which Tewfik Pasha is the grand vizier, have been installed in office. They are as follows:

Grand Vizier, Tewfik Pasha; minister of war, Edham Pasha, minister of marine, Vice Admiral Adjemli Pasha; minister of the interior, Adil Bey; minister of justice, Hassan Pehmi Pasha; minister of finance, Nury Bey. The other posts are filled by the previous incumbents.

Tension Greatly Relieved.

The formation of the cabinet, although it is not composed according to general expectations, has greatly relieved the tension of the last 36 hours. The majority of the people passed a sleepless night, owing to the continuous discharge of musketry. Tonight the city is quiet, the troops have returned to their barracks and the crowds in the Stamboul quarter have retired to their homes.

Confidence is gradually returning, although the military situation will require all the energies of the new government for its successful handling and the promulgation of wise measures so that the army may be placed on a more satisfactory basis. One of the first acts of the government will be to supply new officers to replace those who have been rejected by the men, and this will be no easy task.

It is not worthy that while the revolution of last July was the work of officers, the present revolution was carried forward by the soldiers aided by the religious party, the leaders in the movement being the very troops, the Salonika chassours, which heretofore have been the mainstay of the committee of Union and Progress.

## LEMOYNE REARRESTED.

Claimed He Could Manufacture Diamonds—Got Prison Sentence.

(By Associated Press.)  
PARIS, April 14.—Henri Lemoine, who gained considerable notoriety last year by trying to prove that he could manufacture diamonds, was arrested here today.

Lemoine was arrested on charge of having secured money from an English diamond mine owner on false pretenses by asserting that he could manufacture diamonds.

He was placed on trial and convicted but fled. He was sentenced to ten years imprisonment in default. This was in January, since when he has been missing.

## DEMOCRATIC SENATORS CONFER AND DISAGREE

Only Result Is Decision to Support Income Tax—Some Admit They are For Protection.

ANOTHER MEETING COMES FRIDAY

In General, Minority Decides to Stand For Substantial Reductions in Schedules, But Action Is Not Binding—Harmony Lacking—Aldrich Will Further Explain Bill.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 14.—For more than four hours the Democratic members of the Senate conferred today in an effort to agree upon a policy toward tariff legislation. At the end of that time Senator Callahan, the minority leader, announced the Democrats had agreed to support an income tax amendment, and to stand for substantial reductions in schedules, and particularly for a decrease in the rates on necessities of life.

The conference was not binding, but regardless of this fact it was not entirely harmonious.

Some For Protection

Some of the senators present admitted frankly that they would ask for protection for the industries of their States.

Senator Stone spoke in favor of his program for independence for the Philippines after fifteen years, and absolute free trade with the islands during that period.

Senator Foster was opposed to free trade with any of the colonies. Neither of these senators, it was apparent, could have obtained a majority of the Democrats for their proposition had a vote been taken.

Only one question was the conference agreed and that was the income tax amendment.

Adjournment to Friday.

The conference was adjourned until Friday, as all of those present agreed that they were not sufficiently acquainted with the bill to pass judgment upon it.

While the Democrats were in session notices of the meeting of the finance committee tomorrow were delivered to the minority members of that committee.

Aldrich Will Further Explain.

In view of all the criticisms made of the tariff bill as amended by the finance committee of the Senate, particularly the observation, that the bill will not produce sufficient revenues for the country's needs, Senator Aldrich will undertake, on Monday to satisfactorily explain the revenue feature of the measure.

As the Democrats will ask that the bill lay over until Monday, Mr. Aldrich does not intend to make tomorrow the statement of which he has already given notice, but will present a far more elaborate argument on Monday than he had intended.

## TWC BUILDINGS TUMBLE DOWN IN PETERSBURG

Hotel Annex and Adjoining Shoe Store Crumble and Fall—No One Injured.

(By Associated Press.)

PETERSBURG, VA., April 14.—Owing to the disintegration of basement walls caused by long and continued dampness, the annex of the Chesterfield hotel and the adjacent shoe store of J. O. James and Company collapsed this morning, presenting a wreckage as if an earthquake had shattered them. Several guests of the hotel were sleeping in the annex, but all escaped injury.

Mr. James carried a stock of \$25,000 and the entire loss will be in the neighborhood of \$75,000.

## Suicide of Confederate Colonel.

(By Associated Press.)  
LOUISVILLE, KY., April 14.—Colonel Moses Gibson, who was in the Confederate army during the campaign in Virginia, committed suicide here today. He was drowned in a bath tub, after slashing his wrists with a razor. Colonel Gibson was 72 years old and was in the coal business in Louisville for many years.

## Jacksonville Track Fast.

(By Associated Press.)

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., April 14.—Heavy rains during the last 24 hours beat down the sand track, and the going today was faster than on any previous day of the present meet. Preparations are now being made for a meeting of much larger scope next fall and winter in connection with a big Southern interstate fair and exposition.

## FARNUM'S DEPOSITION.

Commissioner Appointed to Examine Actor in Gould Divorce Suit.

(By Associated Press.)  
NEW YORK, April 14.—Louis C. Rhle, an attorney of Chicago, was appointed by Justice Hendrick in the Supreme Court today as a commissioner to take the testimony of Dustin Farnum, the actor, to be used in behalf of Katherine Clemens Gould in her suit for separation from her husband, H. Ward Gould. The deposition will be taken in Chicago on April 21 and 22. Dustin Farnum, as has heretofore been brought out in the suit, was a guest at a hotel in Lynchburg, Va., when Mrs. Gould was there.

## MAPP SUBMITTED.

Norfolk Gambler Voluntarily Accepted the Minimum Punishment.

NORFOLK, VA., April 14.—With the jury which tried him hopelessly divided, following a deliberation of two hours, R. H. (Toke) Mapp, charged with having knowingly permitted roulette gambling on premises in his occupancy, today submitted to the minimum punishment of one day in jail with a fine of \$100, and this was accepted by the Commonwealth. The jury stood five for acquittal and two for the minimum punishment imposed. Mapp went to jail at 2 p. m. and will be released at the same hour tomorrow. Judge Hancock holding that 24 hours constituted one day in jail.

## WINTHROP TO INSPECT.

Assistant Naval Secretary Will Tour Whole Country.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 14.—Within about two weeks Assistant Secretary Beekman Winthrop, of the navy department, expects to inspect the Norfolk navy yard. Later he will inspect the various yards throughout the country, probably reaching the Pacific coast during the summer and the more southern yards late in the fall. The object is to acquire a thorough knowledge of the working operations of the yards under the reorganization plan now in force.

## Robbed By Servant.

RICHMOND, VA., April 14.—Mrs. Charles G. Boshier, of this city, was robbed night before last by a white woman servant of clothing and jewelry valued at six hundred dollars. The woman was employed some weeks ago and gave the best references. There were several diamond rings in the loot. The woman is supposed to have gone to Norfolk.

Mrs. Boshier was formerly Miss Kate Langley, of Norfolk.

## ARE GETTING TOGETHER

Conference Held by Department Heads for Better Understanding.

RUMORS OF FRICTION ARE DENIED

Assault Upon Alleged Violators of Anti-Trust Laws Leading Object of Meeting—All to Get in Line With Taft.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 14.—An important conference was held today at the department of justice, the parties to it being Attorney General Wickersham, Solicitor General Bowers, Secretary Nagel, of the department of commerce and labor; Secretary Ballinger, of the interior department; Chairman Knapp, and Commissioner Prouty, of the interstate commerce commission, and Representative Townsend, of Michigan.

The idea of the conference was to form among the departments of justice, commerce and labor and interstate commerce commission a closer coordination in the work of the three.

Wickersham Gave Notice.

Ten days ago Attorney General Wickersham indicated to those present at today's conference that he desired to consult with them concerning President Taft's plan to effect a closer relationship among the departments, particularly with respect to the consideration of cases involving alleged violations of the anti-trust law. In the view of President Taft it may be possible to frame amendments to the existing law that will bring about the desired coordination.

In the discussion today no reference was made to the letter of Attorney General Wickersham concerning the Morris Packing Company, of Chicago, or to any other specific case now pending before the department of justice.

Rumors of Friction Denied.

Rumors of friction between the department of justice and the interstate commerce commission are without substantial foundation. This statement is made directly by the attorney general, by Secretary Nagel and by the interstate commerce commissioners.

Only Sure Basis.

"The only sure basis of a republic is the intelligence and virtue of its citizens whose common will is law. Hence the state concerns itself with the education of its citizens."

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## CHARACTER BUILDING EDUCATION IS BEST

Governor Smith Expresses His Views Before Conference for Education in the South.

BOOK KNOWLEDGE ALONE FAILS

Twelfth Annual Session of Educational Enthusiasts Opens in Georgia

Capital—State's Chief Executive Touches Upon Race Question and Suggests Means for Its Solution.

(By Associated Press.)

ATLANTA, GA., April 14.—The twelfth annual Conference for Education in the South was formally opened tonight when the conference was welcomed to Atlanta and Georgia by Governor Hoke Smith and listened to the annual address of the President, R. C. Ogden of New York as well as a paper on the "American Spirit in Education," by Dr. S. C. Mitchell, president of the University of South Carolina.

Governor Smith's remarks were not confined to a speech of welcome. He touched upon the problem which the South, as well as all other sections had to meet and solve, and told of some of the aids that could be used. He placed education above all others, and commended the men and women who are giving their time and money in an effort to aid humanity.

But, he said, the education which is most effective is the education which builds character, as well as imparts knowledge from books.

Takes Up Race Problem.

Next the governor took up the race problem, saying:

"The presence of a great number of negroes in the South creates a problem which must be understood. I do not believe that those who dwell on the work of negro institutions into which few of the race enter, comprehend the question. The real negro educational problem is found in the six million negroes who never enter these institutions, and who are utterly unsuited for the opportunities they offer. I refer to the great bodies of negroes engaged in the simplest lines of manual labor."

"The first step in the education of the great body of the negro race is to inspire a desire to do better the labor they are called upon to perform, and to rid them of a willingness to live poorly, if perchance a meagre support can be made with half time labor."

Should Be Distributed.

"Experience shows that negroes improve most rapidly where there are fewest negroes in proportion to the number of whites. The best friends of the negro should seek his distribution to all sections. This can be accomplished by more white settlers coming South and more negroes going North, East and West."

The governor next described the progress being made in education in the South and predicted that as the public becomes more acquainted with what is being accomplished, there will be no lack of means for carrying out the conference's plans. He declared that one of the most important things to be done was to guard against child labor in factories.

Praises Rural Schools.

The rural schools, he considered one of the most important means of making a better people, and he expressed the belief that the next generation would find the farm most attractive. He closed by referring to the use of the convicts on the road as one of the steps forward, and expressed the opinion that at all costs, the farms must be saved for the small farmer, and kept out of the grasp of the big corporations.

Governor Smith was followed by President Ogden, who read his address.

The address of Dr. Mitchell, of South Carolina, was received with great interest by the big crowd which is present at the conference.

Universal education is a true test of Democracy than universal suffrage," he said in conclusion of his talks upon "The American Spirit in Education."

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